

1 the opposition from men and women who serve in the house and
2 the senate and who live close to each other, and they don't
3 like the geography of the situation. They are opposing this
4 bill primarily because of the fact that it would scatter the
5 representation geographically and they might be forced to
6 move.

7 I submit that this is not too great a price to
8 pay for the admitted and obvious advantages which the single-
9 member district does provide.

10 You have had spread before you this particular
11 throwaway from the State legislators' progress report which
12 indicates the remarkable success which single-member districts
13 have found in other states, and I will not bore you with
14 reading it. You may read it yourself, but it certainly puts
15 to rest the arguments which Delegate Lord just made about the
16 alleged lack of success of single-member districts elsewhere.
17 You have been heretofore provided with the population census
18 of those which used the single-member district and fortunately
19 we have not heard yet today the argument of a parochial
20 system when you look at the position of Maryland with respect
21 to these other states when we will have an average of almost